

# Child Care Leaders Meet In Jackson

The Child Care Executives of Southern Baptists adjourned their annual meeting in Jackson Thursday of last week after electing John Murdoch of South Carolina as president for the coming year.

Other officers elected were M. W. Freeman of Washington, D. C., as first vice-president; Harold Hime of Texas as second vice-president and Charles Wright, also of Texas, as a secretary-treasurer.

Mr. Freeman was also elected as official photographer while Wade East of Louisiana was named as historian. The group will meet in 1972 on Feb. 15-17 at Williamsburg, Va.

The annual meeting began Tuesday evening with the Mississippi Baptist Children's Village, Paul N. Nunnery, superintendent, serving as host.

Dr. Walter Delamarter, of Louisville, Ky., told the Child Care Executives that "the highest quality that makes for right in exercising authority in human relationships is that of Godly character."

Dr. Delamarter, director of social work education of Southern Baptist Seminary, Louisville, Ky., continuing, said:

"Whenever I use authority I will use it openly and honestly. Whenever I do anything to or for or about a staff member, I will tell him so.

"I will fully execute that authority, but only that authority delegated to me by my role or administrative agency.

"I will make crystal clear in structuring with a staff member where my authority begins and ends. This will eliminate a vast amount of testing.

"I will further clarify which decisions are mine to make and which the staff person must make. If agency policy included increasing employee responsibility I will clarify each successive transfer of responsibility to the staff person.

"I will steadfastly resist all of the staff member's efforts to alter my decisions by threats, tantrums, seduction, illness, etc. I will just as steadfastly defend his right to make his decisions and stand by them."

Also speaking was W. L. Crews, associate in Department of Christian Social Ministries, Southern Baptist Home Mission Board, Atlanta. Mr. Crews serves as a consultant and a child care liaison representative between Home Mission Board and Child Care Executives of Southern Baptists.

Hobson Shirey, superintendent of the Alabama Baptist Children's Home, president of the group, presided.

A highlight of the meeting was the annual banquet held in the Rose Room at the hotel with Mr. Nunnery as master of ceremonies. Entertainment was by "The Treble Teens" and "Villagers" all from Village personnel.

Speaker was Rev. David McIntosh, pastor of the Central United Methodist Church in Meridian.

At the Tuesday evening session, member executives discussed current and critical issues confronting youth, including problems relating to drug abuse and sex with a distinguished panel which will include juvenile court judge, a juvenile court counselor, a child psychologist, a social case worker and a Baptist pastor.

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## SBC Members Top 11.6 Million; Organizations In Decreases

NASHVILLE (BP)—Church membership in the Southern Baptist Convention increased to 11,629,880 during 1970, the denomination's research and statistics department reported here in a presentation before the SBC Executive Committee.

Although total church membership increased 140,267 over the 1969 membership totals, decreases were reported in Sunday School, Training Union, Brotherhood (layman's group), and Woman's Missionary Union organizations.

The statistics were based on a total of 34,360 churches affiliated with the nation's largest Protestant-evangelical denomination.

The number of churches was up 25 from the number reported last year.

For the first time, figures were reported for New York, a new state convention composed of churches.

formerly in the Maryland and Ohio state conventions.

The number of baptisms (conversions) reported by SBC churches was 388,882, up 638 from the 1969 figure.

The peak year for baptisms was 1959 when 429,063 were reported, said Martin Bradley, secretary, research and statistics department.

Sunday School enrollment dropped by 127,620 to 7,290,447.

This represents the sixth consecutive annual decrease after 21 years of steady increase, Bradley said. The all-time high in 1964 was 7,671,165.

The Brotherhood (men and boys' missions organization) reported an enrollment of 422,527 a decrease of 7,812.

Total Training Union ongoing and cumulative enrollment totalled 2,494,251, dropping by 154,137 from the 1969 figures.

Enrollment reported for Woman's Missionary Union (women and girls) was down 91,408 to a total of 1,199,813.

Church music enrollment increased by 13,993 reaching a new high of 1,076,487.

Giving by Southern Baptists continued upward.

Total giving, offerings, pledges and other receipts amounted to \$802,255,918, an increase of \$45,546,526 over the 1969 total.

Tithes, offerings and special gifts averaged \$73.70 per number.

Contributions to missions increased \$5,276,548 for a total of \$138,500,883.

Churches reported spending \$136,526,861 for their own construction programs and another \$3,603,850 on construction of local church—sponsored mission facilities.

Debt reported by churches rose to a new high of \$879,355,226, an increase of \$9.1 million.

Churches ordained 2,244 persons for the gospel ministry, an increase of 194 over the 1969 total.

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## Seminary Names Catholic Nun As "Fellow"

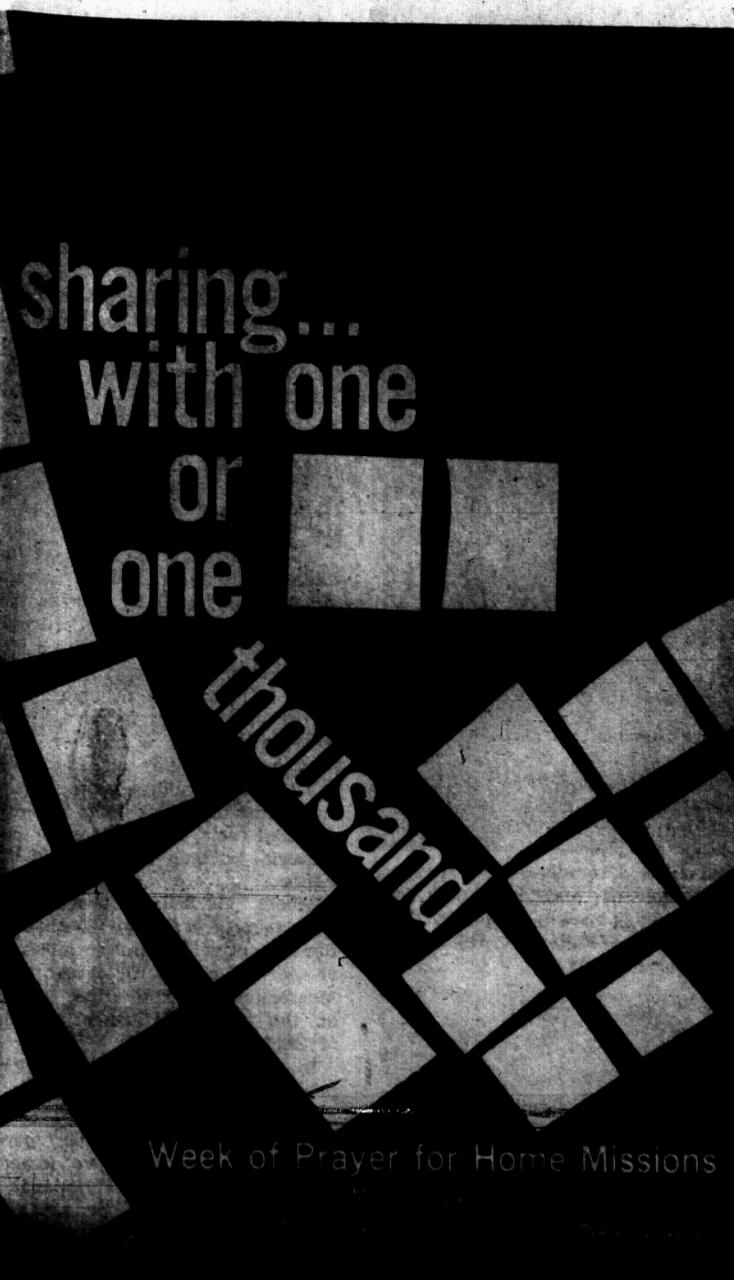
LOUISVILLE (BP)—A Roman Catholic nun has been elected as one of 38 "Garrett Fellows" at Southern Baptist Theological Seminary here by the seminary trustees' executive committee.

She is Sister Mary Catherine Vukanic, a member of the staff of Ursuline College, a Catholic school two blocks from the seminary, who is in her last year of doctoral study at the Baptist seminary.

Sister Mary Catherine will have no teaching responsibilities but will be a "grader" and assistant to Dale Moody, the seminary's Joseph Emerson Brown professor of Christian theology, who in 1968 taught a course on baptism at the Pontificia Universita Gregoriana, in Rome, a school known as "the world's leading Catholic university."

Southern Seminary officials stated that she was not appointed as a "teaching fellow" and that no Southern Baptist Convention Cooperative

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Week of Prayer for Home Missions

## Home Missions Is Topic For The Week Of Prayer

Home Missions will be the topic sounded from Southern Baptist pulpits, classrooms, and homes March 7-14.

This is the date for the Week of Prayer and Annie Armstrong Easter Offering for Home Missions, an annual support effort by families, whole congregations, individuals and women's Missionary Union organizations.

The theme, "Sharing... with One or One Thousand," represents the individuals and groups who will be recipients of the prayer and financial support the week will elicit.

A goal of \$6,000,000 has been set for the home missions offering. Usually the Annie Armstrong Offering provides well over 40 percent of the Home Mission Board budget, the remainder coming from the Cooperative Program. The \$6,000,000 projected for this year's offering would total more than half the contributions to the Board's work.

All church members are invited to pray privately each day for home missionaries and their work. A meditation guide for individual use is inserted in the March issue of Royal Service, the WMU magazine for adults.

Mrs. R. L. Mathis, president of WMU, urged individuals to consider their personal obligation to invest financially in home missions. In 1969 Southern Baptists gave only 45 cents per capita to home missions via the

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## Quake Hurts Baptist Work In L. A.

LOS ANGELES (BP)—Two Southern Baptist churches have been condemned and five others have sustained considerable structural damage due to the earthquake which hit the San Fernando and Los Angeles areas.

Condemned for use were the First Baptist Church of Sylmar, Calif., and Grandview Baptist Church of Los Angeles.

The homes of both pastors were also damaged by the earthquake. Damage to the home of Floyd B. Caldwell, pastor of Grandview church in Los Angeles was described as "severe," but the extent of damage to the home of Clayborn Deering, pastor of the Sylmar church, was unknown.

Larry Fisher, pastor of First Baptist Church, Newhall, Calif., near the center of the earthquake, said that his church's library was destroyed, most of the windows broken, and the furnaces ruined. Walls were cracked, and a large church sign crumpled to the ground.

The church operates a school with 180 pupils enrolled, and although classes were being held, there was no

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## Founder's Day Ready For Sophia Sutton

The 17th annual Founder's Day will be held at Sophia Sutton Mission Assembly near Prentiss on Feb. 28, beginning at 10:30 a.m.

Theme for the day will be "New Paths for Christian Growth."

The program will continue through the afternoon session with the final speaker to be Dr. E. E. Spencer of Lorman, president of the General Missionary Baptist Convention of Mississippi.

Other speakers will include Dr. Robert Kilgore, director of Church Loans, Home Mission Board of the Southern Baptist Convention, Atlanta, and Dr. Wm. P. Davis, director of the Department of Work with National Baptists of the Mississippi Baptist Convention Board.

Other program features included a

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## Foreign Missions Income Is Up

RICHMOND (BP)—The Southern Baptist Foreign Mission Board's income for 1970 was a record \$34,664,147, but even so, monetary requests from the overseas missions (organizations of missionaries) last year exceeded the board's resources by more than \$4 million, the Foreign Mission Board was told here.

Baker J. Cauthen, executive secretary of the board, said the record income for 1970 was an increase of \$912,540 over 1969 income.

Receipts for the 1970 Lottie Moon Christmas Offering for Foreign Mis-

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## Editors Consider Postal Rates, News Availability

SARASOTA, Fla. (BP)—The Southern Baptist Press Association, meeting for its annual session here, elected a Mississippi editor as its president and adopted resolutions opposing proposed new postal regulations, and urging Baptist agencies, boards and institutions to invite Baptist newsmen to attend their board meetings.

Elected President of the organization, composed primarily of the editors of Baptist state papers, was Joe T. Odle, editor of the Baptist Record, Jackson, Miss. Named president elect

was James O. Duncan, editor of the Capital Baptist, Washington, D. C. After debating the issue in the final hour of the meeting, the editors adopted a brief resolution expressing opposition to proposed new federal postal regulations. The substitute motion, offered by Indiana Baptist Editor Al Shackelford, stated:

"In view of the proposed radical change in postal rates, we urge serious consideration be given to the handicap such regulations would impose on non-profit publications."

In the discussion, several editors pointed out that the original resolu-

tions sounded as if the editors were asking for government subsidies and for special privileges and that the arguments were similar to those used by advocates of federal aid to parochial and church-related schools and institutions.

Another resolution expressed appreciation "to those agencies, boards and institutions that have invited repre-

sentatives of the Baptist news media to attend their official board meet-

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## Mississippi Baptist Churches Did Not Escape Fury Of Sunday's Killer Tornadoes

Churches did not escape the fury of the killer tornadoes which swept across the Delta and other areas of Mississippi Sunday afternoon and night.

At least four churches were destroyed or very seriously damaged. They were First Baptist Church, Inverness, the Delta City Baptist

Church, Central Baptist Church in Little Yazoo and Tillatoba Church. Pas-

tors homes at each church also were de-

stroyed.

From reports of damage in other communities it is probable that other churches were hit or destroyed, but we have no confirmation of this at press time. Some churches of other

denominations also were reported in-

cluded in the destruction.

Dr. W. Douglas Hudgins, Executive Secretary of the Convention Board, and W. R. Roberts, Annuity Board Representative, spent Monday in the area checking on the churches. While they were unable to get into all areas, they did reach several of the sec-

tions of the worst devastation.

Mr. Aaron Brumfield, deacon and

treasurer of the Central Baptist

Church was killed in the destruction

of that building. The pastor's wife

and two children were injured. The

pastor is Rev. Pete Bradford. Cen-

tral

is located in Little Yazoo, a com-

munity south of Yazoo City on High-

way 49.

The pastor's wife at Inverness, Mrs. John Cobb, was hospitalized, but her condition was not reported as se-

rious. The pastor's home also was completely demolished.

Rev. Gerald Jones is pastor at Del-

ta City. His family was away from

home when the storm hit.

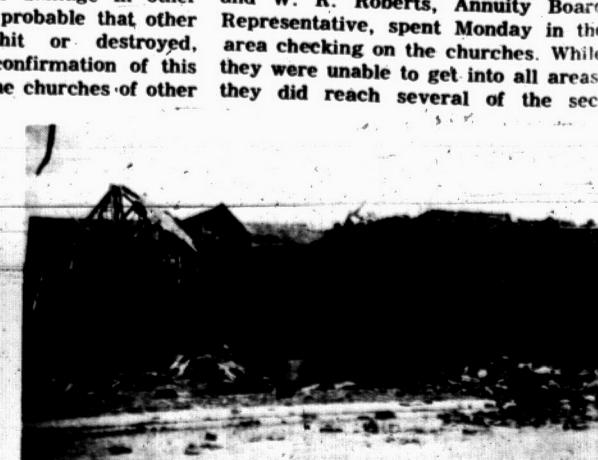
The following story reached us at press time:

During the Church Training hour Sunday February 21 the community of Tillatoba, Yalobusha Association, was struck by a tornado.

Fortunately no one was seriously injured but many homes of the area

were destroyed. Included in these was

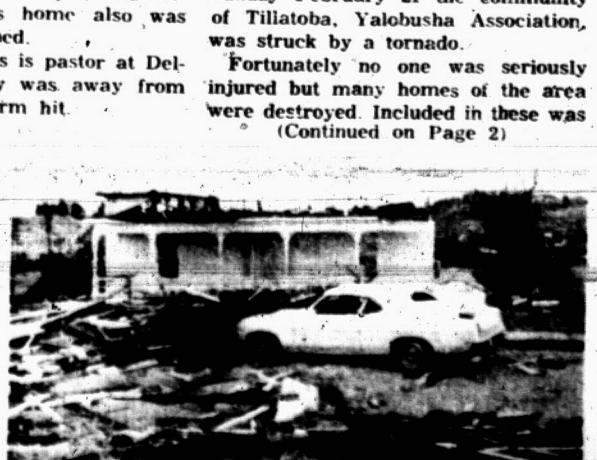
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FIRST Church, Inverness



DELTA CITY Church, Delta City



TILLATOBIA pastorium

GENTLE Church, Little Yazoo.



THE RECENT ANNUAL MEETING of the Baptist Child Care Executives in Jackson was significant because the above picture shows the group forming the organizational meeting at the former Baptist Orophanege in Jackson on Woodrow Wilson Avenue. At right on front row can be seen the late W. G. Mize, then superintendent, and Mrs. Mize.



SEVERAL PRESENT at meeting of Child Care Executives are seen just prior to opening session Tuesday evening. From left: Charlie Miller, Jackson, president of the trustees of the local Village; Paul N. Nunnery, local superintendent; Mrs. Nunnery; M. W. Freeman, Washington, D.C., secretary-treasurer, and Hobson Shirey, Alabama, president.



NEW OFFICERS of the Child Care Executives of Southern Baptists, elected at their annual meeting in Jackson Feb. 16-18 were, from left: John Murdoch, South Carolina, president; William Freeman, Washington, D.C., first vice-president; Harold Hime, Texas, second vice-president; and Charles Wright, also of Texas, secretary-treasurer.

## E. Y. Mullins Fellowship Dissolves

RICHMOND (BP)—The E. Y. Mullins Fellowship, an organization of liberals in the Southern Baptist Convention, is dead.

The organization, born during a period of doctrinal dissent in the SBC, was dissolved by its leaders due to lack of interest.

Thomas D. Austin, chairman of the continuing committee for the Mullins Fellowship announced the decision to discontinue the organization in a letter to the Religious Herald, Baptist state paper in Virginia.

Austin, former pastor of Montrose Baptist Church in Richmond who recently became senior minister at First Baptist Church in Savannah, Ga., said that he sent to each of the 150 dues-paying members of the organization a letter in December saying he had decided to resign his leadership role, and suggesting that the organization be dissolved.

"If I do not hear from you contrary by the 15th of January, 1971," the letter to the membership said, "I will assume your concurrence with my recommendation and my last act as chairman of the continuing committee will be to carry through all the recommendations."

Austin, contacted by Baptist Press, said that the saddest thing about the demise of the Mullins Fellowship was that so few of the members bothered to reply to the letter. He explained that only five or six persons

responded, and no one objected to the decision to dissolve the organization.

Citing lack of interest in the organization, Austin added that there were not even enough members attending the Southern Baptist Convention in Denver for a formal meeting.

At the Denver convention in June, 1970, the causes which the Mullins Fellowship had espoused — primarily openness and freedom in biblical scholarship and the use of the historical critical method of biblical interpretation — took a sound beating with the SBC requesting the recall and rewriting of the Broadman Bible Commentary "with due consideration to the conservative point of view."

Austin said that the convention had come to this point partly because liberals in the SBC have not really cared enough to become involved in the denomination's political structure. He added that although there was a need for an organization like the Mullins Fellowship, he doubted there was enough interest for it to be possible for such a group to succeed in the SBC.

In a letter to the editor of the Religious Herald here, Austin said he felt that the group had been grossly misunderstood from the beginning.

One such misunderstanding was that many Baptists felt the group was proposing a power play to force the SBC to agree with their point of view, and another misunderstanding was that "we were anti-Criswell," said Austin.

The group was also associated in the minds of many with action taken by an entirely different group, the Association of Baptist Professors of Religion, which in January of 1969 adopted a resolution critical of W. A. Criswell, then president of the SBC, for his book entitled, "Why I Preach That The Bible Is Literally True," and an advertising campaign which they charged implied this was the official position of the SBC.

"It is true that much of our dissent was focused against Criswell's point of view, but we were simply wanting Southern Baptists to recognize that one did not have to toe the denominational line to be a loyal Southern Baptist," Austin said.

## Founders Day --

(Continued From Page 1) panel discussion with four panel members, as follows:

Rev. W. C. Griffin, Meridian; Dr. Hickman Johnson, Jackson; Dr. T. B. Brown, Jackson, president of the Mississippi Baptist Seminary; and Rev. Richard Brogan, Cleveland, director-elect of the Department of Work with National Baptists of the Mississippi Baptist Convention Board.

Special music will be by the choir of Prentiss Institute.

Greetings will be rendered by Dr. S. L. Richmond, director of the Sophia Sutton Mission Assembly.

The assembly was established Nov. 4, 1964 and chartered Aug. 19, 1964.

## Editors Consider Postal Rates, News

(Continued From Page 1) this be a future practice of all these bodies."

Earlier, Editor Robert Hastings of the Illinois Baptist, Carbondale, reported on results of a survey he conducted among SBC agencies and state Baptist conventions asking whether their policies permitted new reporters to attend their board meetings.

Generally, Hastings said, the responses indicated that representative of Baptist news media could attend such board meetings, but there was greater vagueness on the policies among Baptist seminaries.

Voicing opposition to closed door meetings in Baptist life, Hastings said that "the executive session is a device to build egos," and that "when we close the door, we are trying to play God."

He pointed out that an Illinois state law states that any government body supported by public tax funds must be open by the public, on the basis that if the public is paying the bill then the public has a right to know what happens. The parallel to that is Hastings said, if the average church member is paying the bill, he has a right to know what happens at Baptist board meetings.

The director of the School of Journalism at Southern Illinois University H. R. Long, said in another speech that in the secular press, a trend toward centralization is marked by the purchase of newspapers by corporations "which have no more interest in the public right to have access to information than a butcher," brought by editors of Baptist state.

Most of the addresses were brought by editors of Baptist state papers who outlined their philosophies of editing, editorial writing, and the role of the editor.

Albert McClellan, program planning secretary for the Southern Baptist Executive Committee and a former editor of the Oklahoma Baptist Messenger, brought three addresses on the history influence and future of Baptist journalism.

In other actions, the association approved a committee report rec-

SENEGAL: About 150 persons, nearly all Muslims, have joined a reading club in the newly opened Baptist center in Dakar, Senegal's capital. "Senegalese are especially partial to clubs," explains missionary Farrell E. Runyan. Club members include high school and university students, teachers, journalists, news commentators and businessmen. People who would not attend a formal church service "can come into the reading room and get the gospel through the printed page, group discussions and informal talks," Runyan says. The reading room, which contains about 600 books and booklets has been visited by 50 or more persons daily.

"We were nothing more or nothing less than loyal and faithful Southern Baptists who were concerned that our convention not adopt doctrinaire positions," he added.

Austin said that he knew of only one individual prominent in the fellowship, William C. Smith Jr., former secretary of the organization, who had left the SBC. Smith is now pastor of First United Church of Christ in Durham, N. C.

The Mullins Fellowship was organized in the spring of 1969, with its first full meeting at the Southern Baptist Convention in New Orleans that June. It was named for the late E. Y. Mullins, former seminary president and denominational leader in the SBC.

At its peak, the Mullins Fellowship had about 375 members, and just before it was dissolved, the membership was about 150, Austin said.

There was about \$200 in the organization's treasury, and only one member requested that his dues be returned, Austin said. In the December letter to members, Austin said

ommending that the dues structure be doubled, and approved on first reading for final action next year a constitution change which would limit membership to "news-oriented" Bap-

tist publications with associate membership available to non-news oriented Baptist journals.

Shackelford, editor of the Indiana Baptist, was re-elected as secretary of

of the association.

Next year, the editors will meet in Kentucky, Feb. 14-16, 1972, with sessions slated in Biloxi, Miss., Feb. 12-14, 1973.

## Quake Hurts --

(Continued From Page 1) heat in the building within four days after the earthquake.

At First Baptist Church, Saugus, Calif., several beams and movable units shifted and a gas main near the church broke.

At Mountainview Baptist Church, Sunland, Calif., the light fixtures and all of the plumbing, including the main gas line into the church, were destroyed. All windows and glass wear were also lost.

First Baptist Church of San Fernando Valley reported considerable breakage at the home of pastor H. E. Fisher, but the church building was not damaged.

Preliminary reports to the California Southern Baptist, state weekly Baptist newspaper published in Fresno, indicated that many members of churches in the area had lost their homes, but it was too early to tell the extent of the losses.



Officers, Southern Baptist Press Association

The new officers of the Southern Baptist Press Association are, left to right: Al Shackelford, editor, Indiana Baptist, secretary-treasurer; Joe Odle, editor, Baptist Record, president; James O. Duncan, editor, The Capital Baptist, (D. C.), president-elect.

## State Churches Hit By Tornadoes

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ber of dead had risen to almost 80, with many hundreds injured. The financial losses were estimated to be several millions of dollars.

We shall give further coverage concerning the losses by our churches.

It doesn't make sense for a young man to waste his time missing his girl friend when she is sitting there beside him. He can spend his time pining over her tomorrow when she has returned to college. Richard Milham in *Like It Is Today*, a Broadman book

in the next issue of the Record.

Already plans are being considered for aiding the churches and pastors hit by the storm. Details on this will be presented next week.

## Radio-TV Commission Earns Two Honor Medals

The Southern Baptists' Radio and Television Commission received two George Washington Honor Medals recently at the Freedom Foundation's award presentation ceremony in Valley Forge, Pa.

One of the medals was for a film produced for television, the other for a radio program.

The award for the film, titled "A Time of Waking," was shared with the Walsh Foundation of Fort Worth, Texas. The production explored the philosophy back of the Texas Boys Choir, a world-traveled singing group founded and directed by George Bragg and supported by the Walsh Foundation and other philanthropies. ABC carried the program as a network television special.

The Commission's other award was for a "MasterControl" program aired June 14, 1970. Presented as a Flag Day Special, it blended interviews, recitations, and music in developing a strong patriotic theme.

## Dallas Church Rents Ocean Liner As Part Of Pilgrimage Journey

DALLAS (RNS) — The First Baptist church of Dallas has rented an ocean liner for transportation during portions of a month-long tour to the Holy Land.

"We're taking 400 people and our pastor, Dr. W. A. Criswell is leading the tour," said the Rev. Melvin Carter, assistant pastor. The ship has been rented for \$150,000.

The tour group will board "The Mount Jupiter," a 471-passenger steamship of the Epirotiki Lines, at Athens, Greece, on June 20 for a five-day cruise, Mr. Carter said.

"For years Dr. Criswell has been wanting to take the church staff on a tour of the Holy Land," said Carter, so the tour was built around this wish and Dr. Criswell's appearance at the World Conference on Prophecy in Jerusalem (June 13-18).

## Home Missions Week of Prayer

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Annie Armstrong Offering and other designated gifts. Mrs. Mathis said, "Surely this amount is only a token of the vast concern we feel for leading people in the United States to reconciliation in Christ."

"Unless each individual shoulders a respectable part of the burden of paying for an extensive witness, we cannot progress beyond our present level of support," she said. "We cannot leave the job to a few generous

givers. Every Baptist who sees the needs of these times must give accordingly."

Family participation in the Week of Prayer is based on daily use of a Family Prayer Folder, distributed free by state WMU offices through church WMU directors. Prayer partnerships between families are suggested.

Families are also encouraged to take "Go and See" trips to study nearby home missions work and to report to their church about their findings.

Family Missions Guide (\$1.00 from Baptist Book Stores or WMU, Birmingham, Alabama 35203) gives suggestions for these and other family

activities for the Week of Prayer.

The churchwide Week of Prayer observance is led by the pastor and WMU director in cooperation with directors of other church organizations. Sunday School will spotlight home missions March 14. Missions sermons, talks by visiting missionaries, a new filmstrip, a special recording about home missions, new home missions drama, and a musical missions program are among ideas suggested for Sunday and midweek church services. Details are found in Dimension magazine for January, February, March.

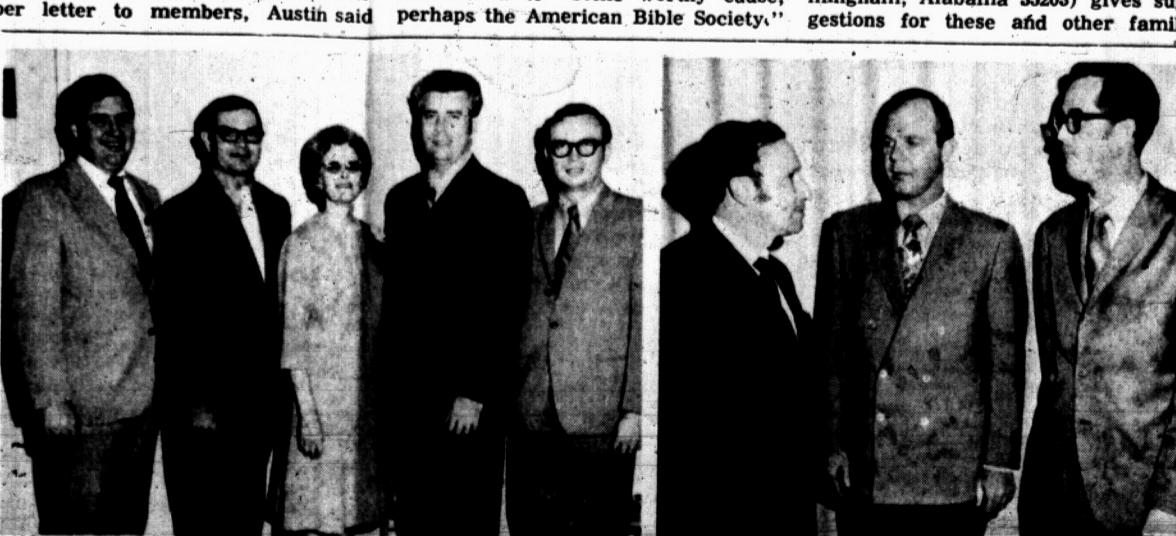
Woman's Missionary Union organizations observe the week following study, prayer, and giving suggestions in their age-level magazines. Baptist Women organizations will have five days of meetings for corporate prayer. Baptist Young Women will have a combination of group and private prayer sessions throughout the week.

## Graham In Minor Oral Surgical Procedure

ROCHESTER, Minn. (EP) — One of six salivary glands was removed from the mouth of Evangelist Billy Graham, Feb. 10 in what was described as minor surgery. No malignancy was involved.

A couple of stones the size of pearls were discovered in the gland, which is located under the tongue. Their blockage of normal saliva flow caused irritation in the throat of the famous preacher.

Dr. George M. Wilson, executive director of the Billy Graham Evangelistic Association in Minneapolis, said a three-day hospital sojourn was required and only a week of meetings was cancelled for the routine surgical procedure.



Religious Education Association Elects Officers

The State Baptist Religious Education Association annual meeting was held at the Buena Vista Hotel in Biloxi, Feb. 18-20. In photo at left new officers elected were, from left: President, Ferrell Blankenship, minister of education of First Baptist Church, Hattiesburg; secretary, Billy Hudgens, Jackson; vice-president, Miss Ethel McKeithen, Hattiesburg; choir-

ister, Bill Wilkinson, Columbia, and instrumentalist, Charles Clark, Jackson. In photo at right Dr. Kenneth Chafin, Atlanta, principal speaker, (left) discusses program with Dr. John Taylor, Gulfport, (center) and Mose Dangerfield, Biloxi, association president. The group will meet next year at the same place on Feb. 24-26.



### Large Crowd Attends State VBS Clinic

The sanctuary of Broadmoor Baptist Church in Jackson was well filled for the annual Vacation Bible School held Feb. 15-16. Rev. Tom Douglas, associate

in State Sunday School Department, director of event, is seen at right facing congregation, while Ronald Mills, of Natchez is speaking.

## BSSB Sets Literature Evaluation Effort

NASHVILLE (BP)—Users of Southern Baptist Sunday School Board literature this spring will have a chance to evaluate the materials and express opinions on it as the board begins one of the largest research projects ever undertaken by a religious denomination.

"Operation talk Back" is an effort by the board to encourage expressions of opinion from every literature user from youth-age on through adult.

"This has the potential — if the (users) respond to it — of being one of the largest research projects ever undertaken by a religious denomination," said W. L. Howse, director of the board's Education Division.

Major changes were made in age grading and other educational approaches beginning last October. As a result, new publications were created as well as substantial changes made in already existing pieces of literature.

The major changes were made in an effort to provide what churches need and want. "Operation talk Back" will help evaluate the changes.

The research project is aimed at finding out what literature users think about such things as content, approach of the materials, doctrinal soundness, readability, size, usefulness and many other things which might help improve literature for the next several years.

"We think we know what the churches want and need," said Howse, "but we can't be sure unless they tell us."

To provide for the initial input of information and opinions, all of the literature for the April-May-June quarter will contain questionnaires which should be completed and mailed back to the board.

When the questionnaires are received at the board, they will be compiled and evaluated by the board's research and statistics department.

"The results will be used in the literature development process," said the division head.

"Responding with the questionnaires is each user's opportunity to

voice his criticism—whether good or bad. And comments on any topic related to literature will be considered," he added.

Howse said planners of the research project know it will be difficult and, occasionally, time consuming to fill out the questionnaires — especially for those persons who receive many publications.

He stressed, however, that it is important that the questionnaires be completed and returned in order to get a true evaluation of what churches want and need.

The project, which will continue through January 1973, later will include studies and interviews in individual local church situations.

### Seminary Names Catholic Nun As "Garrett Fellow"

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Program funds are involved in her appointment.

Wesley M. Pattillo, executive assistant to the president of the seminary, said that she has not taught and will not be called upon to teach in the course at any time. The standing policy of the seminary requires that faculty members must substitute for each other in case of absence.

Garrett Fellows serve individual faculty members in grading term papers and tests, distributing duplicated materials prepared by the professor, and checking class attendance, Pattillo said.

They are designated "Garrett Fellows" in honor of the late L. F. Garrett, of Memphis, Tenn., a Baptist layman whose estate in 1968 en-

dowed the entire cost of the fellowship program.

The seminary's public relations office released the story in response to inquiries from the editors of Baptist State papers attending the Southern Baptist Press Association in Sarasota, Fla.

The seminary statement pointed out that the charter provides for education of students for "the Christian ministry" without reference to denomination, that 60 of the current 1,200 students at Southern Seminary are non-Baptists and are members of at least 10 different denominations; and that at least two Jewish rabbis have received doctor of theology degrees from the seminary, one in the 1920's.

The Seminary faculty has voted that Roman Catholic students not be counted

ed in enrollment statistics which determine the seminary share of the Cooperative Program allocation to theological education, Pattillo said.

Although no Cooperative Program funds are used to pay for their services, all non-Baptists who work as Garrett Fellows must be approved individually by the trustees executive committee. Vote on the action was nine to three.

Pattillo added that the nun was serving in a position which is customary for graduate students to fill, that there has never been any attempt to hide her presence; her picture is carried in the seminary's current student directory, more than 100 years of precedence with regard to non-Baptist students makes her enrollment of no special significance;

nor is she the first non-Baptist to serve as a Garrett fellow.

### MC Ministers' Wives To Meet March 2

The Ministerial Wives' Association of Mississippi College will meet March 2 at 7 p.m. with Mrs. Charles Gentry at 201 Morrison Dr., Clinton. The speaker will be Rev. Bradley Pope, Director of Religious Activities at Mississippi College, Clinton. His subject will be "An Helpmeet for Him in Building a Successful Marriage." The wives of all Mississippi College ministerial students are invited to attend.



Moving Day At Carey

William Carey College professor, Dr. Percy Reeves, finds moving into a new academic building a "back-breaking and back-breaking" task. Above he helps fellow teaching colleague, Mrs. Elma McWilliams, unpack books as they move into Carey's new Education and Psychology Building.

The building, completed this month, is a replacement for the building which burned a year ago last November. It will be named and formally dedicated in the late Spring. Dr. Reeves is chairman of the department of education and psychology and Mrs. McWilliams is director of the elementary education program.

The principles of Christian faith are eternal, but the expressions of that faith must change and seek new forms. — G. Avery Lee in *The Reputation of a Church*, a Broadman book

### Foreign Missions

(Continued from Page 1)  
sions amounted to \$5,730,629 through Feb. 10, Cauthen said. This is \$1,474,164 more than at the same date last year.

The offering receipts are coming in faster than in previous years, which partly accounts for the comparatively larger amount received so far this year, he told the board.

It is too early to project the total amount of the 1970 offering, Cauthen said. The total will be known around May 1, when the books close.

"We are greatly encouraged that the amount received from the Cooperative Program by the Southern Baptist Convention in January showed an increase of 13 per cent over the corresponding month a year ago," he said. "It is most important that the Cooperative Program and the Lottie Moon Christmas Offering grow in parallel lines."

The board appropriated funds for sending several persons overseas to carry out special assignments in behalf of missionaries. W. L. Howse, director of the Education Division of the SBC Sunday School Board, will consult with missionaries in Korea and Taiwan on their strategy and long-range planning.

Leo T. Crismon, librarian at Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, Louisville, Ky., will assist librarians in Baptist seminaries in East and Southeast Asia. Mrs. Crismon will accompany him.

Harold C. Overton, who has been associated with the Toronto Institute of Linguistics, is teaching in the missionary language school in Limuru, Kenya, during the first five months of this year.



Take ranchers isolated on vast spreads in Nebraska. Add Dewey Hickey (left) to minister to them and form a church. Allocation for pioneer, metropolitan, and urban missions: \$865,000.



Take National Baptists, desiring more training for leadership of black churches. Add missionary teachers to work with them in colleges and universities, such as J. Z. Alexander at Shaw University. Allocation for National Baptist work: \$375,000.



Take people who speak a different language and practice different customs from most of the country. For example, Spanish-speaking Americans in Cebolla, New Mexico. Add Missionary Ernest Day (kneeling, left) to lead them to faith in Christ. Allocation for language missions: \$1,500,000.



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### What Makes Home Missions?

To get home missions you need three kinds of people. First take people who are separated from the message of Christ by culture, or situation, or habit. Add one versatile, dedicated, equipped missionary.

Back these two parts with senders—people who actually create home missions with prayer and money which bring the people and the missionary together.

March 7-14 the senders will do

their part. In addition to gifts already coming through, the Cooperative Program \$8,000,000 through the Annie Armstrong Easter Offering is needed to sus-

tain home missions already in progress and to extend the touch of missionaries to more people. (Photos, Courtesy Home Mission Board).

Take the United States, a mass of people requiring many special approaches of evangelism. Add Kenneth Chafin, Home Mission Board evangelism director (center) to plan massive evangelistic penetration. Annie Armstrong allocation for evangelism projects: \$200,000.



Take children, bored, neglected, on the streets. Add a missionary in a Baptist center, such as Suthell Walker at the Baptist Community Center in Lexington, Kentucky. Allocation for Christian social ministries: \$850,000.



Take a busting resort area such as Silverton, Colorado. Add mission pastor Glen Allen (center) to start a chapel in a trailer. Allocation for establishing new churches: \$900,000.

Take a developing church in pioneer Southern Baptist territory—Crestwood Baptist Church in Des Moines, Iowa. Add a student missionary to work with them all summer, such as Debbie Kiracofe of Denton, Texas. Allocation to help send out 700 student summer missionaries: \$250,000.

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## EDITORIAL

### Baptist Laymen Are Asking To Be Used

The other night I spoke to a large group of laymen in an Associational Brotherhood meeting. After the service one of the men came to me and said something like this, "Tell the pastors to give us jobs to do. We are ready!"

These words have been ringing through my mind all week. They impressed upon my heart the probability that there are in the churches in Mississippi, even as in all other states, thousands of laymen and women, who are ready for action for the Lord, but simply have not been given a job to do. This reminds us of the cliche concerning how often the pastor welcomes those who come forward in a church service for membership, with the words, "Have a seat" and then never asks them to do anything else. What a tragedy!

If a survey were made, we probably would find in every church, a surplus of talent which is not being utilized.

The urgent need is for church leadership to develop a program which will enlist and use these people.

Pastors and other church leaders must take the lead in developing these plans, but assistance is available from the denomination, since programs, resources, materials, etc., all have been prepared for use in the churches. For example, in men's work, no finer programs can be found than that which has been developed through the Brotherhood Department. The same can be said concerning the Sunday School, Church Training, the WMU, Music, Evangelism, Stewardship and others. A notable example is the new evangelism program which is directed toward the training of laymen and women in witnessing.

There is so much to be done in every church. Foremost is the task of Christian witness which begins in the home church, and reaches out through mis-

sions to the ends of the earth. People need to be reached for Christ. Then they need to be trained and utilized, and the various church programs are oriented for that.

It is a task almost overwhelming in magnitude. This is especially true if it is done by one man or just a few. With the vast resources of personnel which we have in most of our churches, however, the mission is not so great. Nor is it meant that just one, or a few, be responsible for the work. It is God's purpose that every member, young and old be enlisted, trained and used. When that is done the commission God has laid upon the church will be met.

Yes, the laymen the women, and the youth, all are saying, "Give us something to do." Let's respond to that request, by putting them to work. God will be glorified, the church strengthened and the kingdom built as we do it.

### Signs Of The Times

Along with millions of others I watched the astronauts walking upon the moon. My mind was almost overwhelmed by even the thought of it.

It becomes even more stupendous when we realize that many people who are now living, read the report of man's first airplane flight in 1906, and that it was less than 20 years ago that most of us saw our first television. Moreover, most can remember the excitement of that first flight of man in space, just ten years ago, by one of the men we watched walking on the moon this time.

As we contemplate these accomplishments by man, we suddenly are reminded of how much man has gained in knowledge within this century. Indeed, if we remember right, someone has said that man has acquired more knowledge in the last decade, than in all prior centuries of history put together.

Does this mean anything other than that man is accomplishing great things? It may mean much more. In the book of Daniel, God spoke through that prophet saying, "But thou, O Daniel, shut up the words, and seal the book, even to the time of the end: many shall run to and fro, and knowledge shall be increased." (Dan. 12:4). Many students of the Scripture, taking these words in the prophetic context in which they are found, telling of events related to history next to the end of the world, believe that here is a prophecy written 2500 years ago which says that at the end of time, just before the second coming of Jesus Christ, "knowledge shall be increased." Their interpretation is that one of the signs of the return of the Lord is an unusual "increase" of man's knowledge.

If this is a sign, then surely there never has been a time in history which has seen its fulfillment like this generation, when man's knowledge has increased so much faster than at any time in history.

Is this a sign that the coming of the Lord may be near? Many believe so!

### On The MORAL SCENE...

An Army psychiatrist said recently the Army has panicked over drug abuse among young soldiers while all but ignoring the possibly more serious problem of alcoholism among older sergeants and commissioned officers. "I would take strong exception to an assumption that the Army provides adequate preventive and treatment programs for alcoholism, or that every barracks is a halfway house," Major Avrom G. Segal told a Senate sub-committee on alcoholism and narcotics. Segal said he is upset when he compared the Army's "intense interest and crisis response to the drug problem" with what he termed its usual lack of interest in alcoholism. And he said young soldiers, those most likely to use such drugs as marijuana, sense a lack of credibility in officers who try to change their drug habits while not bothering older sergeants verging on alcoholism.

By Lawrence L. Knutson, The New York Times News Service, 12-4-70

"One of the less publicized purposes of the American Food for Peace program appears to have been the military development of some of the recipient foreign nations. Under the program's provisions, a country receiving American food commodities must set aside a corresponding amount of funds for internal development. But as U. S. Comptroller General Elmer B. Stata testified, over the past six years nearly \$700 million of those funds have been used to buy arms — under the aegis of Food for Peace."

(Newsweek, 1-18-71)

"IT IS THE DUTY OF ALL NATIONS TO ACKNOWLEDGE THE PROVIDENCE OF ALMIGHTY GOD AND TO OBEY HIS WILL" — GEO. WASHINGTON

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—HEB.12:25\*

### Concerning The Will Of God

#### THE BAPTIST FORUM

##### Smut Mail Now Can Be Stopped

Dear Dr. Odle,

May I suggest that you give some publicity to the new law (39 U. S. Code 3010) pertaining to sexually oriented mail advertising? The law provides that any person not wishing to receive such mail may list his name and address and that of minor children in his home with the U. S. Postal Service. Smut mailers are required to purchase the list from the government at a cost of \$5,000, and face severe penalties if they mail such objectionable materials to persons whose names are on the list.

Though the law will probably face court tests, it seems to be the best thing that has come down the pike in a long time for those of us who detest the phenomenal spread of pornography.

However, the effect could boomerang if people do not respond to this opportunity for action. If few citizens go to the trouble of going to their post office to sign the form (PS 2201) and register their objection to pornographic mail, the panderers may grow even more brazen in their traffic. One can easily see that legislators and courts might conclude that people do not really care about this issue, if they do not bother to fill out a simple form at the Post Office.

Please urge readers of the RECORD to publicize this new law through churches, PTA's, civic, and other organizations.

Mack D. Rutledge  
Immanuel Church  
Columbus

age of five the ultimate in expressing promises. I thought it was magnificent for God to make a promise then into what I know now is the major attribute of God — complete dependability, worthy of a woman's complete faith.

Looking at the end of the rainbow in my yard, I could have moralized that there was, after all, a pot of gold — all the good things in life that had happened to me. But much more meaningful were the words God spoke to me through that special rainbow — that I belong to Him and that when He made a promise to mankind it included me — all the promises in His Word are mine, from the promise of no more floods to destroy all flesh down to the promise that He keeps count of the hairs on my head. (The brutal, teasing care we give our hair today must increase the burden of keeping the hair on women's heads counted.) If God is taking care of such big things as floods and such little things as hairs, what else is there for me to worry about?

After that summer rain was such a nice time to make real pies and such a nice time to be alive. And ever since then, I have heard the rainbow.

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## NEWS BRIEFS

### OXFORD SCHOOL NAMES WHITE PRINCIPAL TO SUCCEED DAVIES

OXFORD, England (BP)—Regent's Park College here, a Baptist school that is part of the Oxford University system, has named a 37-year-old church history lecturer as its new principal.

Barrie White, a fellow and lecturer at Regent's Park College, will succeed G. Henton Davies who is retiring as principal in the summer of 1972. Davies is author of the *Genesis* section of Volume I of the *Broadman Bible Commentary* published in the U.S.A.

According to a report in European Baptist Press Service, White was asked last year to become professor of church history at Southeastern Baptist Theological Seminary, Wake Forest, N.C., effective in 1972, and White had accepted on the condition that he would remain in Britain if he were invited to succeed Davies as principal at Regent's Park.

The Southern Baptist operated seminary agreed to this stipulation, according to the European Baptist Press Service report, and Southeastern Seminary honored White's commitment to Regent's Park.

#### Church-State Controversy Over Roadside Chapels

WHITE LAKE, S.C. (EP)—The issue of church and state separate has erupted here again over two tiny chapels that stand in rest areas for motorists driving on South Dakota's Inter-state highway 90.

The chapels were erected five years ago with approval by the state. Two years ago the Federal Government, which provided 90 per cent of the funds to build the highway, charged that the chapels built by the Christian Reformed Church in Corsica, S.C., are illegal because they stand on land purchased with Federal tax funds.

Unless removed, the government implied, further highway construction funds to South Dakota might be shut off. The state has refused to remove the roadside sanctuaries.

South Dakota's former governor said he would go to court to save the chapels, but the present administration hasn't taken a stand on the issue yet.

Thousands of letters have bombarded federal highway officials asking that the chapels remain.

#### Serene Bible Reader Unruffled By Bandit's Threat

MEMPHIS, Tenn. (EP)—Foster Walker accidentally strolled into the scene of a holdup at a store here and heard the gunman order him to surrender his money or "I'll shoot you."

"You just go ahead and shoot," Walker said. "I just got through reading my Bible and I've already said my prayers."

The robber was dumbfounded and Walker, a man in his sixties, walked away.

#### New British College Head Chosen

Barrie White, 37, has been chosen principal of Regent's Park College, Oxford, England, to succeed G. Henton Davies. Davies retires in the summer of 1972.

White has been a fellow of the Baptist college and lecturer in church history since 1963, the *Baptist Times*, British weekly paper, reported.

Last year, White was asked to become professor of church history at Southeastern Baptist Theological Seminary in Wake Forest, North Carolina, USA, effective in 1972.

He accepted with one reservation. Were he invited to succeed Davies as head of Regent's Park, he might remain in Britain.

The American seminary agreed to this stipulation. When White was offered the principalship of Regent's Park, the American school honored White's reservation.

White was ordained and inducted to the Baptist ministry in September 1969. He held a pastorate for 3½ years before coming to Regent's Park College. (EBPS)

#### Czechoslovakians Report 1970 Progress

A new church was opened and three new chapel buildings were started by Baptists in Czechoslovakia during 1970, according to a year's end report by Baptist Union headquarters in Prague.

The new building was opened in the town of As, near Cheb, close to the border with East and West Germany. The church has about 30 members and a full-time pastor.

"We have been able to start building three new chapels"—in Stara Role, near Karlsbad (Karlov Vary); in Jihlava, and in Cheb, union headquarters indicated.

During the early part of 1971 "we hope to have our new hymnal which is needed and longed for in all our churches." (EBPS)

#### Baptist Pastor Created Colored Scenic Windows

Five colored-glass scenic windows in the village church will remind the congregation at Pandrup, Denmark, of Borge Berntsen's 12 years as their pastor.

Berntsen, 55, is leaving the 197-member church in a village of less than 1,000 population in the northernmost part of Jutland. He is taking over pastorate of Roskilde Baptist Church, whose 336 members live in Copenhagen, population 1½ million.

At Pandrup the Baptist church is the only village church, unique in a country which is more than 90 per cent Lutheran and where Baptists number only 7,000 in a population of about 5 million. The church, in fact, is called simply "Pandrup Church" without the word "Baptist" attached.

When Berntsen, who was not previously an artist, made the five tinted picture windows for the Pandrup church, it was the only one of 42 Baptist churches in the country having them. It is still the only one in that part of Denmark.

Necessity created the windows. During building renovation 10 years ago, the church installed a new organ, but was advised that it needed some protection from bright sunlight pouring in through ordinary clear glass window panes.

Berntsen at first designed, made, and installed just one picture window. When it was acclaimed by the church people, he then did the same for the remaining four windows. The five scenes depict different aspects of the Christmas story.

The windows have been estimated to be worth 9,000 crowns (\$1,300) apiece, although their cost was less than that, since the pastor made them himself. (EBPS)

#### Baptist Named To High British Post

A Baptist minister has been named deputy chaplain general in Great Britain.

He is John Cribb, 48, presently stationed at Hounslow, England, and in charge of the southern area. Much of the administration of the whole chaplaincy service of the British army will come under Cribb's charge in his new duty.

Cribb has been an army chaplain since 1951. It is only the second time that a Baptist has been given this appointment. (EBPS)

#### Servicemen Donate Funds For Stricken School

MANILA, Philippines (EP)—An unusual story is behind a recent gift of \$3,000 to Faith Academy near here. The gift was redirection of building funds by a military base in response to the "Dollars For Scholars" fund to rebuild the school for missionary children after the November 19 typhoon destroyed over 60 per cent of the facilities.

Robert Bingham, director of the Overseas Christian Servicemen's Center near Clark Air Force Base in the Philippines, said news of the damaged school brought immediate intercession.

"When our group learned of the disaster at Faith Academy, we asked the Lord what we should do," he says. "We had been planning to build a new building, or at least an addition to our present center, for four years.

"Each time we get all ready to build, the Lord has said 'no.' Over these years we have accumulated a little over \$3,000 in a building fund. The Lord burdened us to give this money to Faith Academy. The men were all in agreement."

#### Assemblies Youngsters Promise \$80,000

SPRINGFIELD, Mo. (EP)—When their missionary offering is collected on Feb. 7, children in Assemblies of God Sunday schools will donate an offering totalling at least \$80,000.

Their parents and other adults in the schools, say denomination officials, will also participate on that special Sunday in the yearround program of the Boys' and Girls' Missionary Crusade.

The crusade is in its 21st year and has brought to the missionary arm of the church more than two and a half million dollars for the translation and printing of gospel literature.

### First, Ellisville Gives Pastor Burns A Trip To Holy Land

On Sunday, February 14, Rev. W. C. Burns, pastor of First, Ellisville began a journey that will end in the culmination of a dream that has lain waiting in his heart for many years. He left home for Jackson and a flight to New York. From New York he travelled with the Bryan Tour Group to visit Rome, Cairo, Beirut, Tiberius, Tel Aviv, Istanbul, Jerusalem and Athens. He is scheduled to return to the States and Jackson on March 1.

The fund which made the trip possible had its origin a little over two years ago when Mrs. Thomas R. Jones returned from her trip to Bible lands. So inspired by what she had seen in the time-hallowed places she had been, Mrs. Jones wanted her pastor to have a like experience and suggested that his congregation contribute, at their will, by dropping change in a milk jar. The fund grew slowly until last year when several sizable contributions brought it well into the place of the "possibility" plateau. Suddenly—there it was—funds for the longed-for trip—a gift of love from a congregation to their pastor.

Mr. Burns moved to First Church, Ellisville, in August of 1968 from Tipton. With him were his wife, Beth, and their sons, Terry and Gary. The family took on new proportions in June of 1970 with the arrival of Jane Lynn. Because of the trio of little Burnses, the wife and mother was unable to accompany her minister-husband on the tour.

Since Mr. Burns came to Ellisville the home for the minister of music has been built, a kindergarten has been started as a complete program of renovations instituted.

**TRINIDAD and TOBAGO:** Two churches begun by Southern Baptist missionaries in Trinidad were unanimously accepted into the Baptist Union of Trinidad and Tobago during its recent annual assembly, reported John C. Sanderson, missionary press representative. It was planned that Southern Baptist work in Trinidad, since its beginnings in 1962, should become part of the national Baptist body, said Sanderson. Last year the Valley Baptist Church and the Monte Grande Baptist Church applied for membership in the Union. Their acceptance is a partial fulfillment of the missionaries' objective, said Sanderson: "A Baptist work under the control and direction of nationals."

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**NEW YORK (RNS):** J. C. Penney, who said that he would rather be known as a Christian than as a millionaire, died Feb. 12, at Columbia-Presbyterian Medical Center here. He was 95.

The founder of the multi-million dollar department store chain had often been honored by church groups for his involvement with religious concerns.

In 1964 he was chosen Lay Church

#### Baptist Viewpoll

### Church Leaders Take "Hardline" Positions On Death Penalty

By Kenneth Hayes

**NASHVILLE (BP):** The majority of a representative panel of Southern Baptist pastors and Sunday School teachers approve of the death penalty for persons convicted of murder, according to a recent Baptist VIEWpoll survey.

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Resistance among pastors to the death penalty has changed little over time (a decrease from 28.6 per cent to 27.3 per cent), but resistance to the death penalty concept among teachers has declined from 38.4 per cent to 32.6 per cent.

The percentage of pastors having "no opinion" on the death penalty issue remains at the 6 per cent level.

The percentage of Sunday School teachers having "no opinion" on the death penalty concept has increased (up to 11.2 per cent from 5.6 per cent in March 1969).

The findings on this item (as Sun-

day School teachers on the basis of sex and enlightening. While almost three-fourths (74.7 per cent) of the male teachers favor the death penalty, only 42.4 per cent of the female teachers favor it.

In a 1969 Gallup Poll survey, 51 per cent of the adult general public expressed approval of the death penalty, while 40 per cent disapproved of the death penalty for persons convicted of murder and 9 per cent had "no opinion." And, here again males favored the death penalty (60 per cent) much more than did females (44 per cent).

The U.S. Supreme Court in November, 1970, heard two death penalty cases, and the future of 350 men and women under the sentence of death will be determined by their decision.

The last execution in the United States was on June 2, 1967, in Colorado.

The findings for the current poll are based on 92 per cent response from the Baptist VIEWpoll panel, composed of approximately 300 pastors and 300 Sunday School teachers selected to represent a cross section of persons holding those leadership positions in the Southern Baptist Convention.

### Missouri Baptist Group Opposes Student Aid Plan

**JEFFERSON CITY, Mo. (BP):** the Christian Life Commission of the Missouri Baptist Convention issued a statement here opposing a plan to provide financial assistance to students attending private colleges and universities in Missouri as proposed by Gov. Warren E. Hearnes.

Since most private colleges in Missouri are under church control, the governor has actually proposed financing church-controlled education out of state tax funds, Wamble argued.

The statement pointed out that Missouri's constitution "forbids using tax money directly or indirectly from any public fund whatever to help support sectarian purposes or church-controlled schools. It further pointed out that another constitution provision forbids grants of public money to private individuals.

The governor's own task force raised questions about the constitutionality of state aid to church-con-

trolled institutions or private individuals so they can attend these schools," Wamble said. "Only one person on the task force went on record as stating an opinion that there is no constitutional obstacle, and he did so in a footnote."

"It seems strange indeed that the governor would recommend using tax funds in a way that his hand-picked task force has such grave reserva-

#### BIBLICAL LESSON ON MONOGAMY

**Kansas City (EP):** A 13-year-old girl asked her pastor father here recently, "Why can't a man have more than one wife? Where in the Bible does it say it's not right?"

Rev. Parker Dailey later told a Bible class his daughter's question. The Baptist minister said he thought a while then suggested to little Brenda that she read Matthew 6:24.

It reads: "No man can serve two masters."

#### MC Co-Chairmen Plan

There are two words that will stand out in the minds of two Mississippi College seniors for a long time to come.

They are "planning" and "work." The two students are Judy Lynn McDonald of Jackson and Jimmy Goolsby of Canton, co-chairmen for the annual High School Day scheduled for Saturday, March 13, on campus.

It is a message to the Mississippi legislature, Gov. Hearnes, a Baptist, recommended the creation of a "student assistance program... to fill the more than 8,000 existing classroom vacan-

cies at private colleges and universi-

ties about," the statement said.

Wamble also pointed out that the Missouri Baptist Convention meeting last October adopted a resolution opposing "the taxing of all citizens to finance church-related education."

Wamble added that Missouri Baptists own and operate three colleges; "but we do not think the government has any right to tax us or other people to finance them."

**And Work Toward "Most Complete High School Day Ever Scheduled"**

Miss McDonald, daughter of Rev. and Mrs. John McDonald of Jackson, is a graduate of Provine High where she accumulated many honors.

At Mississippi College she has served in both the Chapel and Concert Choirs and served as treasurer of the former. She is also a member of "The Naturals," a much travelled singing group formed last year.

She is also a member of Alpha Chi, scholastic leadership fraternity; vice-president of Cap and Gown, top women's leadership organization; chorister and program chairman for the Kissimmee Social Tribe; a member of Kappa Delta Pi and Student Education Association; active in the Baptist Student Union, and was named to "Who's Who Among Students in Colleges and Universities."

Goolsby, son of Mr. and Mrs. Otto Goolsby of Canton, graduated from Canton High. Active in Music activities at the college, he has served as treasurer of Phi Mu Alpha Sinfonia, a male music fraternity; vice-president of the Concert Choir; a member of "The Naturals"; a member of the Music Educators National Conference; and has had parts in several Student Body Association musicals.

Goolsby also serves as district secretary for Collegiate Citizen and is a member of the BSU executive council.

**Sessions For Parents**

Parents and chaperones accompanying students to the annual High School Day program at Mississippi College Saturday, March 13, will find part of the day's activities devoted entirely to them.

"We are not only planning for the high school student," say the two who are also planning special sessions for the parents, pastors or other individuals who might chaperone them to the campus." The plan is to have something for everyone.

At First, Dallas

## Seminary In Church Dynamics To Follow Bible Conference

First Church of Dallas, Texas, is offering a Seminar in Church Dynamics following the Nationwide Bible Conference to be held in Dallas, Texas, in March.

The courses on the church and its total ministries will be offered under the heading of "School of the Prophets," March 19, 20, and 21. Twenty class-hours of teaching will begin at 8:00 a.m. on March 19. Six of these hours will be conducted by Dr. W. A. Criswell, Pastor of the First Baptist Church, the remaining 14 hours by various First Baptist Church staff members.

Dr. Criswell will offer such courses as pastor's personal study habits, scheduling a pastor's time, how to counsel, and how sermons are prepared. Dr. James Bryant, Associate Pastor in charge of Evangelism, says the entire program of the church will be studied during these days. The registration fee of \$35.00 includes tuition, a 300 page syllabus outlining the entire church program, and lunch during the three-day conference at the church. A late fee of \$5.00 will be required after February 15.

In cooperation with the church and

this program, the Fairmont Hotel, Dallas's leading and most luxurious hotel, has offered special rates to pastors attending these sessions if they will identify themselves. The hotel is located one-half block from the church.

Dr. Bryant said it is necessary to know as soon as possible the total number attending the seminar. Enrollment will be limited to the first 1,000 paid applications. Contact: Dr. James W. Bryant, First Baptist Church, Dallas, Texas 75201.

With the joint efforts of Rev. Wm. Gary Smith, pastor of First, Carrere and Rev. James Biggs, pastor of First, McNeill, along with others, a skating rink for the youth of Pearl River County has become a reality.

With the help of young people and adults, a vacant gymnasium at McNeill was converted into a skating rink and was officially opened January 1.

The purpose of opening the skating

rink was to provide recreation and spiritual guidance for the youth of Pearl River County. Each night at given time there is presented a fifteen minute evangelistic message, in an endeavour to reach young people who hardly ever attend church services.

To the amazement of those opening the skating rink on the very first night there were two hundred present for the devotional time. A steady increase in attendance continued, so now there are two devotional sessions a night instead of one. As many as five hundred have been present in one night. The skating rink has been so well received that some young people have been present two hours before the doors opened in order to be first in line to get skates. Even though one hundred and two pairs of skates were purchased many persons were un-

able each night to get skates.

The enthusiasm can be seen in what happened one night when a teenage girl exclaimed, "Hey, these skates are both for the same foot!" It was explained that if she would just wait a few minutes the other teenage girl who had the matching pair would return them. However, she was so happy to be one of the lucky persons to get skates that she skated (believe it or

not) the whole session with skates for the same foot.

Young people, as well as adults, have made many complimentary statements about the skating rink. The second night that it was open one lady said, "This is what our young people have been needing for a long time and handed Mr. Smith a check for a hundred dollars to go toward paying for the skates which were

## Bible Distribution Sets 2 Records

NEW YORK (EP) — Two distribution records were set in 1970 by the American Bible Society because of the demand for short passages of Scripture.

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In 1970, a total of 691,750 complete Bibles were distributed in the U.S. 31,500 more than in the previous year. The American Bible Society also reported an increase in distribution of the number of "Talking Bible" records and tapes for the blind.

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# Jesus Is Supreme Authority About Money, And Values Of Most Importance

By Clifton J. Allen  
Matthew 6:19-34; Luke 12:13-21

Jesus Christ is the supreme authority about money, about investments, and about values of greatest importance. We are wise to give heed to his instruction and to be obedient to his warnings and commandments. Our lesson is based on one of his parables, the story of the rich fool, and a passage from the Sermon on the Mount charging the disciples of the kingdom of God to put their trust in the heavenly Father and to give their fullest devotion to his kingdom. Jesus knew the subtle temptation to be chiefly concerned about material values. He also knew the spiritual potential of wealth invested in things pertaining to the kingdom of God. What Jesus taught about material possessions is to the Christian's creed about money.

**The Lesson Explained****THE PROBLEM OF****COVETOUSNESS (Luke 12:13-15)**

This teaching of Jesus about covetousness had its occasion in an impossible request to Jesus to act as a judge in a dispute between two brothers about their father's estate. Jesus refused to be drawn into the dispute. Instead, he declared a principle to guide all people, those who have much and those who have little, in their attitude toward material possessions. He knew how strong the temptation is to be covetous and warned against it. We all face it. We want to have more and more. This is the essence of covetousness. We are inclined to measure life by possessions — by the wage scale, by salary, by saving accounts and investments, by an automobile, or by a hundred other "things." But life is not a matter of money. Character is not determined by possessions. A person's worth depends on his integrity, his compassion, his fidelity, his intelligence, and his faith in God. Real life is made up of things which money cannot buy and which the absence of money cannot destroy.

**THE PERIL OF PROSPERITY (Luke 12:16-21)**

Jesus illustrated his teaching with a parable. He told about an industrious farmer who prospered and accumulated much goods. There was nothing wrong with that. It was not improper to build larger barns to store his crops. The farmer's mistake was that he measured himself by his goods and thought he was a great success. His mistake was that he could not see beyond himself. Because his barns were full he thought he had no occasion to think about eternity. His mistake was that he wanted to live in ease and indulgence, ignoring others living in misery. Supremely, he was a fool because he did not take God into account, to trust him and thank him and serve him. Therefore he was not prepared to die. He lost everything because he had lived for himself. Jesus made the telling application, a terrible warning to every person: whoever lives after the pattern of this man and is not rich toward God — trusting God, loving God, giving God first place — is a fool indeed.

**THE QUESTION OF SECURITY (Matt. 6:19-21)**

Jesus knew the inherent peril of self-centeredness in every person, Christians as well as unbelievers should be aware of this danger. Further, Jesus knew that whole scope of life, in this world and the world to come, and he gave guidance as to values that endure forever. Earthly treasures are relatively insecure. The whole economic situation can change. High wages and material prosperity are not guaranteed to continue. Even if they do, property can be lost through accident, tragedy, some natural catastrophe, the fraud of another person, illness, or error in judgment. And whatever one's riches is earthly wealth, everything material must be given up at death. Therefore, one is foolish indeed to be primarily concerned about accumulating treasures on earth. Instead, the values to be given first place are treasures in heaven. These are secure forever. They bear returns for eternity. To lay up treasures in heaven is to recognize that one is answerable to God, that one is

concerned about life after death, and that one wants all that he has and all that he is to be under the lordship of Christ forever.

**Truths to Live By**

The love of money is a luxury no person can afford. — By giving the accumulation of money first place in ambition and effort, one may become rich. He may be able to indulge in pleasure trips, expensive vacations, and lavish gifts on family and friends. But his state of luxury is full of peril. Material abundance tends to produce self-centeredness and pride, a false sense of security, love of indulgence and extravagance, and the habit of judging everything and everybody by dollar standard. Essentially, this is what it means in the New Testament to live according to the flesh. The person chiefly concerned about the love of money tends to lose his concern for personal integrity, the love of truth, compassion for persons in distress, the values of prayer and worship, the fellowship and mission of the church, and hope of life with the

Lord after death. The price is too great!

The money standard of success is false. — Advertisements try to convince one that he is a success if he can buy all the gadgets of comfort and convenience for the home, for travel, for the office, or for his profession. One is counted a success if he can afford to join the clubs and fraternities and social groups. One is considered a success on the basis of the amount of his salary and the promotions he receives in salary increases. The tone of the world's spirit is to measure everything by money or something material. But Jesus declared this to be a false standard. It denies that true success is doing the will of God and becoming more and more like Christ.

A Christian concept of possessions is the basis of satisfying stewardship. — Man is a steward. God has made him that way. Each person is accountable to God for all that God entrusts to him. Therefore, one's possessions are to be recognized as held in trust.

## Sunday School Lesson: Life and Work

## The Miracle Of Lazarus: Jesus Proves That He Is The Resurrection And The Life

By Bill Duncan

John 11:1-36

When a person dies can he be sure he will go to heaven? This was the question asked by a radio announcer to eighteen people in Chicago's Union Station. Here are some of the answers he got...

"Of course not."

"Why not?"

"Well, first you have to know whether there is a heaven."

"What is your feeling on that?" the announcer asked.

"I don't believe so. It just seems a bit improbable to me. I think once you're dead that's it."

"I think so by living a good life."

"Believing is most involved."

"Believing in what, sir?"

"Believing that there is something at the end of life. If you don't believe, well, there's nothing to go for."

One woman said, "It's out of my hands."

A college student said, "I don't think you can really be sure of anything."

Out of the eighteen, no one was sure that he would go to heaven or that anyone could be sure. And not one of the eighteen mentioned the name of Jesus Christ. This is the type of people who face sorrow each day. We may only know of the Christian funeral, but the world does not know of Christian hope in the face of sorrow.

Out of the story of Lazarus comes this statement that assures us of comfort. "Anyone who believes in me, even though he dies like anyone else, shall live again." This is how a Christian can be sure he will go to heaven.

This confidence is based upon God's word and the promise of Jesus Christ that said he will live eternally. Can trust in His promise take you right up to death's door unafraid and still sure of where you are going? Yes, many Christians such as Paul the apostle have faced death with the knowledge and hope promised by Jesus. You too can have this hope if you will but believe in Jesus Christ as your Lord.

As we face sorrow, we can follow the example of Jesus who was touched with our type of sorrow. The story of Lazarus tells us a lot about the humanity and sorrow of Jesus. It is significant that the man, Lazarus, was beloved of the Lord. Sometimes people try to think that illness is a sign of alienation from God. From the beginning, Jesus said that the illness was not unto death. Jesus knew Lazarus had died, but that it was temporary. When Jesus arrived on the scene of sorrow, he knew what he was going to do; yet He wept. He groaned and was troubled in spirit — in sympathy for their suffering, in companionship with them in their time of bereavement and heartache. Jesus cared. Jesus continues to share our sorrow even today.

A person can receive help from the Lord if he has faith in Him. In the face of illness and the possible death of their brother, Mary and Martha had sent a message to Jesus like a prayer. Even when death came, their faith had not wavered. Our faith must meet each test of sorrow with the assurance that our only help is in the Lord.

The house was full of mourners. In the day of the Lord, normally burial followed death as quickly as possible.

Everyone was expected to express the deepest sympathy. While the body was in the house, it was forbidden that anyone would eat meat or drink wine. No food was to be prepared in the house. When the body was removed from the house all furniture was reversed and the mourners sat on the floor. A meal was prepared and served by the friends of the family. Deep mourning lasted seven days of which the first three were days of weeping. The mourners Jesus found at the house were doing their Jewish duty. We need to remember that at a time of sorrow we have an opportunity to show Christian love and sympathy with the sorrowing friends or relatives.

Martha said, "I know quite well that he will rise again in the general resurrection on the Last Day." This was a sure Christian hope that Jesus had taught and Martha had learned, for the Jews had not stressed these thoughts. The Sadducees still refused to believe in any life after death. This statement by Martha bore witness to the highest reach of her nation's faith.

Jesus promised that, "I am the Resurrection and the Life. He who believes in me will live even if he has died; and everyone who lives and believes in me shall never die."

What did he mean? Jesus promised to everyone who believed in Him eternal life. This life began when he accepted salvation and death does

not stop it or start it. The new creation that Paul talks about is true. The creation keeps on living. Death changes the place of life. For a believer to die means he is released from this body to live with Christ.

The miracle of Lazarus was that Jesus proved that he was the Resurrection and the Life. How do we know that Jesus will cause us to come forth from the dead? By what he did for and with Lazarus.

Jesus shows us that in the presence of sorrow he conquers death and his compassion and comfort comes to those who sorrow in the face of death. The Christian ought to be able to face the experience with assurance that both sustains and enables him to reflect a Christian witness that was like that of Jesus. The answer to sorrow is faith in Jesus and fellowship with Him.

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**Deadline Nears****For Teacher Exam****At Blue Mountain**

Less than two weeks remain for prospective teachers who plan to take the National Teacher Examinations at Blue Mountain College on April 3, 1971 to submit their registration for tests to Educational Testing Service, Princeton, New Jersey. William N. Washburn, Academic Dean, announced today. Registrations for the examinations must be forwarded so as to reach the Princeton Office not later than March 11, Dean Washburn advised.

Her mother, the former Virgie Alley, now Mrs. Virgie Alley Hendricks, Hearn, is still represented in her devotion to her Alma Mater by her daughter "Annie Hendricks of BMC."

**Cloverdale Plans Spring Homecoming**

On March 28, Cloverdale Church, Natchez, will hold Homecoming Day.

All former members, pastors, interim pastors, and members are invited. Anyone having pictures or any other information pertaining to the history of the church, are asked to bring it or mail it to the church office. Pictures will be returned if they are so marked," states Rev. James E. Messer, pastor.

Spring revival begins on this day also. The evangelist will be Rev. Warren Langworthy, First Church, Purvis. Music will be conducted by Monroe McManus, Southside Church, Montgomery, Ala.

Services will be held daily both morning and evening.

**St. Paul's Near Collapse**

LONDON (EP) — The famed Protestant cathedral of St. Paul's here which withstood German bombs and almost three centuries of wear and tear may collapse like the London Bridge of nursery rhyme fame.

Leading Anglicans have started a campaign to raise \$7.2 million to pay for a seven-year repair program.

Modern life, including air pollution and traffic vibration, is the culprit. The walls are cracking. Arches over the main entrance are starting to slip because the towers they link have begun leaning away from each other.

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## Names In The News

Rev. Jack Elliott, pastor of Highland Church, Meridian, and graduate of New Orleans Seminary, spoke recently at chapel at the seminary. (The Baptist Record of February 11 incorrectly stated that Mr. Elliott is pastor of Highland, Jackson.)

Shirley Page is the newest staff member at First Church, Tupelo, where she began work on February 1 as minister of music and education. Born in Houston, Miss. and a graduate of high school at New Albany, she was church organist in New Albany before moving to Tupelo. The summer of 1969 she served as director of youth and music in Eastman, Ga. She served First, Tupelo as youth music director last summer. This January marked her completion of college with a double major in music and education at University of Mississippi. She lives with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. V. C. Page at 1613 Clayton, Tupelo. George McGreger was interim minister of music.



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Dr. Harry Lee Spencer was honored by First Church, Tupelo, on February 7. The church designated that Sunday as "Dr. Harry Lee Spencer Day," and Dr. Spencer was guest preacher. Formerly executive secretary of the Mississippi Baptist Foundation, he is now retired. For fourteen months he was interim pastor at First, Tupelo. (At the present time, First, Tupelo does not have a pastor, but Dr. James Travis is serving as interim pastor.)

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Dr. and Mrs. R. Houston Smith were honored with a reception on February 14 on the occasion of his 25th anniversary as pastor of First Church, Pineville, La.

Mr. & Mrs. Vernon Polk and family were honored with a reception on Sunday evening, February 7, on the occasion of his fifth anniversary as minister of music and youth at First Church, Grenada, Dr. L. Gordon Sanning, pastor.

Rev. and Mrs. Jerald W. Perrill, missionaries, were scheduled to leave the States Feb. 13 for their first term of service in Laos. Temporarily, they may be addressed c/o Judson Lennon, Box 832, Bangkok, Thailand. Born in Ellsworth, Kan., Perrill spent his early childhood in nearby Alton, but later settled with his family in Boulder, Colo. Mrs. Perrill is the former Elaine Fortenberry of Monticello, Miss.

Rev. L. C. Newell, Jr., the new pastor of Mt. Olive Church, Smithdale, was ordained to the gospel ministry at Ingalls Avenue Church, Pasagoula (Rev. Byron Parker, pastor) on February 21 at 7:30 p.m. Mr. Newell and his wife, the former Mary Jane Weathersby of Florence, have a baby daughter, Laura.

Rev. Howard Scarborough, due to illness, has resigned as pastor of Temple Church, Jackson. He is now living at 3736 University Avenue, Laurel, Miss. 30440.

Dr. Jay Young (seated right) of Auburn University, a consultant for the American Chemical Society, visited Mississippi College recently to help plan for a more effective operation of the chemistry department. He also studied possible curriculum changes with Dr. Lewis Nobles (seated left), college president; and, standing, left to right, Dr.

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